



COUNTY OF KAUAI

News Release

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County of Kaua'i and Kaua'i Fatherhood Council team up to host Men's Conference; Registration now open

LĪHU'E – The Kaua'i Fatherhood Council and the County of Kaua'i invite men to attend the inaugural Men's Conference on Saturday, Oct. 29 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Smith's Tropical Paradise in Wailua. To register for the free event visit www.eventbrite.com and search for "Kaua'i Men's Conference."

"In working with the Kaua'i Fatherhood Council, we saw an opportunity to provide additional encouragement to men and fathers in our community," stated Mayor Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr. "We've received an overwhelming amount of support from key male leaders who wanted to help, and the idea grew into this conference."

The conference is free and open to men age 18 and older, and fathers of any age. The purpose of the conference is to supply men with a toolkit of knowledge in which to support their relationships with their family and community.

The conference will include five sessions focusing on the following values or tools: Kino (health); Kuleana (responsibility); Māna (spirit); Mānā'o (knowledge); Na'au (morals); and 'Ohana (family).

Pastor Joe Onosai, who is former strongman competitor and professional football player, will be the conference keynote speaker. Other speakers will include Mayor Carvalho, Pastor Vill Galiza, Executive Director of Storybook Theatre Mark Jeffers, and Dr. Krishna Kumar.

The conference will also give attendees an opportunity to meet with various service providers and community associations.

The mission of the Kaua'i Fatherhood Council is to encourage male presence and male involvement in Kaua'i's families and community.

For more information on the Kaua'i Men's Conference, or to request an ASL Interpreter, materials in an alternate format, or other auxiliary aid support, please contact Brian Alston at (808) 217-1831 or brian1201@msn.com.

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